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Price 3d.] EDINBURGH, SATURDAY, JANUARY 13. 1787.

THEATRE-ROYAL.

BY PARTICULAR DESIRE
OF THE
CALEDONIAN HUNT,
On MONDAY Evening, Jan. 15. 1787. will be presented,
The Comedy of the
SCHOOL FOR SCANDAL,
With the Farce of
ROSINA.
Tickets to be had, and places for the Boxes taken, of Mr GIBB, at the Office of the Theatre.

DUNN's ASSEMBLY ROOMS.

THERE will be an ASSEMBLY in Dunn's Rooms, on Teusday next the 16th curt. to begin at seven in the evening.—Tickets, 3s. each, to be had at the Hotel.

TO THE PUBLIC.

THE College of Surgeons, from the late extent of the city and suburbs, find daily inconvenency from being desired to go to distant quarters of the town, which they had left immediately before, and therefore request, that (cases of accident and sudden illness excepted) messages from their patients, who wish to be visited, may be sent to them before nine o'clock in the morning.
Surgeons Hall.

NEW FORM OF PROCESS.

AS the following are the only Presbyteries who have not sent for the New Form of Process, viz. Garioch, Aberlour, Nairn, Inveraray, Lorn, Lewis, and Cairston, it is intreated, that those Presbyteries will send, without loss of time, to Mr Cairncross, agent for the Church, for copies thereof,

MASONRY.

THE MONTHLY MEETING of *St DAVID's LODGE* is to be held on Tuesday next, precisely at seven o'clock, where a numerous and respectable appearance of the Brethren is expected.

M. ROBERTSON, Prince's Street, EDINBURGH,

BEGS leave to acquaint the Ladies, That she has just received from London great variety of Dress and Half Dress Caps, Hats, Tippets, &c.

Likewise choice of Feathers and Flowers, Black and Blond Lace, Sattins and Modes, Fur Trimmings, and Muffs. All sorts of Beaver Hats and Bands.

Ladies may depend on being served on the most reasonable terms, and meeting with every article that is new and genteel, as she is regularly supplied from London.

Genuine Malt Spirits.

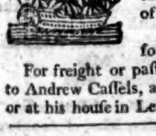
WHEREAS Complaints have lately been made, respecting the bad quality of liquors offered to the Public, in name of Whisky or Aquavitæ, which spirits, it is supposed, are made from raw grain, and what is called London yest, and not distilled from real malt:

JAMES BROWN Distiller at Boggs informs his friends and the Public, That he continues to distil and rectify spirits from the BEST MALT ONLY, which, warranted as such, are sold in wholesale and retail at Boggs, and by Peter Macfarlane, at James Brown's shop, opposite to the Linen Hall, Edinburgh, at the following prices; to be sent carriage-free to any part of the town or suburbs.

Rectified Spirits for [illegible] per gallon	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Proof,	0	3	0
Gin,	0	3	4

Commissions from the country will be punctually attended to. JAMES BROWN.

FOR LONDON,



THE DILIGENCE,

PHILIP BUTLER Master,
Now lying on the birth in Leith harbour, taking in goods, and will sail on the 24th of January instant.

This ship has excellent accommodation for passengers.

For freight or passage apply to the Master at the ship, or to Andrew Cassels, at the Exchange Coffeehouse, Edinburgh, or at his house in Leith.

AT LONDON—FOR LEITH,

THE DIANA,

(A NEW SHIP)
JAMES RITCHIE Master,
Now lying at Hoare's Wharf, taking in goods for Leith, and all places adjacent in the frith of Forth, deliverable at Leith, will sail the 24th January 1787.

This ship has good accommodation for passengers.

AT LONDON—FOR LEITH,

THE BRIG,

MARGARET AND ANNE,

ALEXANDER COMB Master,
Is now taking in goods for Leith, and will sail the 29th instant.—She loads at the Glasgow Wharf.
Leith, 11th January 1787.

AT ROTTERDAM,

The Favourite of Perth,

JAMES ROBERTSON Master,
Is now taking in goods for Newburgh and Perth, sails the 8th February, if the weather permit.

Not to be repeated.

TO BE SOLD BY PRIVATE CONTRACT,
at Berwick upon Tweed,

A Hull of a New Brig,

about 140 tons measurement, will carry 9 keels of coals at 11 feet water, and shift without ballast, is extraordinary well timbered, and a large scantling, all English Oak, is mostly skin'd below the wales, with 3 inch oak plank, and 3 wales of 4½ inches Sussex plank; will answer well where burthen and dispatch is required; can be launched at five days notice.

Length of the Keel 60 Feet.
Breadth of Beam 20 ditto.
Depth of the Hold from the ceiling to the Deck 13 ditto.

Likewise, to be SOLD at the same place, a VESSEL, about 80 Tuns bounty measurement, built after the model of the Berwick Smacks, will be fit for any trade, particularly the Herring Fishing; will be ready to launch about June next, or sooner if required.

For further particulars, apply to Mr Arthur Byram of Berwick aforesaid.

ENGLISH READING.

MR SCOTT's *Second* Public Reading of Select Pieces of ENGLISH, will be on Monday next, the 15th inst. precisely at TWO o'clock, in Mr Laurie's Dancing-room, James's Court, Lawn Market.

Admittance, HALF-A-CROWN.

A Subscription Ticket to the Seven Remaining Readings, (which Tickets may be transferred) is HALF-A-GUINEA, and may be had at the Circulating Library, Parliament-Square.

*** From the high satisfaction expressed by several most respectable Ladies and Gentlemen who attended last Monday's Reading, Mr SCOTT flatters himself that the number of his auditors will increase; and that this species of entertainment will become as fashionable as it is rational and elegant.

ENGLISH APPLES.

TO be SOLD, in a loft in the east end of the Weigh-house of Leith,

A very fine Parcel of ENGLISH and FOREIGN APPLES, for eating and baking; Golden Rennets, and fine eating Russets and Rennets; Lemon Pippins, and fine green Fulwoods—will keep very long; and a few Nonpareils, &c. &c.; and good English Onions.

CORK.

A FEW Tons of FARO CORK, to be sold at a reasonable price for ready money.

Apply to Walker, Thomson, and Company, Edinburgh, or to David Liddell at their warehouse, Kirkgate, Leith.

WANTED,

By order of His Grace the DUKE of RICHMOND Master General, and Honourable BOARD of ORDNANCE,
To Complete the Artificer Company at Gibraltar,
VIZ.

GOOD STONE-CUTTERS, and able Workmen for Square, Moulded, or Groin Work.
MASONS,—Good Setters and Wallers.
BRICKLAYERS,—For Square, Arched, or Groin Work.
CARPENTERS,—Skilled in framing for Roofs, Floors, &c. and Joiner's Work for finishings.

A Bounty of 3l. 13s. 6d. will be given to each Recruit, viz. One Guinea and a Crown on his being attested, and the remainder on his embarkation for Gibraltar.

None need apply under the age of twenty-one years, or upwards of forty, or who cannot have a good recommendation. The preference will be given to single men: but this is not meant to negative expert workmen, and men of good character, though married.

N. B. When disabled by age or infirmities, they will be entitled to a pension from the Honourable Board of Ordnance, of Sixpence *per diem*.

For particulars, enquire at the Engineer's Office, at the Castle, Edinburgh.

EDINBURGH, *December* 2. 1786. } HEN. RUDYERD, Capt. Commanding Engineer, North Britain.

BY ORDER OF THE HONOURABLE

Commissioners of his Majesty's Customs,

THERE is to be exposed to public roup and sale, at the Customhouses of the Ports, upon the respective days after mentioned, at twelve o'clock noon each day,

Sundry Parcels of Tea, Wine, Brandy, Rum, Geneva, Aquavitæ, Sugar, and others, lately condemned in his Majesty's Court of Exchequer.

[illegible] January 17, 1787—3327 gallons geneva; 168 gallons brandy; 44¾ gallons rum; 197 gallons aquavitæ; 13 gallons, 4 dozen, and 10 chopin bottles red French wine; 6 dozen and 3 chopin bottles Portugal wine; 8¼ gallons British compounds; 34 lib. tea; 10 muslin handkerchiefs; 10 yards striped muslin; 20 yards fine plain muslin; 38 yards plain ditto; 8 pieces linen; 50 lib. carraway seeds; a parcel of soap, &c.; the hull of the lugger St Michael, (to be broken up). The float, materials, and tackle of said lugger to be sold entire.

DUNBAR, Friday, 19th—353½ gallons geneva; 24½ gallons brandy; 80¼ gallons rum.

ANSTRUTHER, Saturday, 20th—281 gallons geneva; 34 gallons brandy.

DUNDEE, Monday, 22d—232¼ gallons geneva; 87¾ gallons brandy; 18 gallons aquavitæ; 8 gallons rum; 1 half hogshead vinegar; a fishing-boat and her materials to be sold entire.

MONTROSE, Wednesday, 24th—113 gallons geneva; 45 fir deals; 249 lib. counterfeit halfpence; a boat and her materials to be sold entire.

ABERDEEN, Friday 26th—683 gallons rum; 414¾ gallons geneva; 280½ gallons brandy; 50 gallons spruce beer, 11 gallons red French wine; 2½ gallons white Portugal wine, &c. the hull of the sloop Charlotte of Newburgh, and one open boat, to be broken up.

GLASGOW, Tuesday, 30th—43 gallons aquavitæ, 17 gallons brandy; 8 gallons geneva; 3 barrels white herrings.

PORT-GLASGOW, Wednesday, 31st—325 gallons rum; 77 gallons geneva; 24 bushels Irish salt.

GREENOCK, Thursday, February 1st—581 gallons rum; 6 cwt. and 38 pounds coffee.

AYR, Saturday, 3d—666 gallons brandy; 72 gallons geneva; 174 lib. tea; 639 lib. coffee-berries; a small open boat to be sold entire.

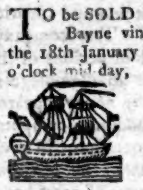
STRANRAER, Monday, 5th—1590½ gallons brandy; 1028½ gallons geneva; 652¼ gallons rum; 34 gallons Lisbon and Sherry wines; 5 lib. tea; the lugger Buffallo, with her furniture and apparel, (to be broken up).

WIGTON, Wednesday 7th—105 gallons brandy; 53 gallons geneva; 3 gallons rum; 74 lib. tea; 4½ gallons red French wine; 6½ gallons red Portugal wine; a parcel of sugar, vinegar, figs, raisins, &c.; the Tartar cutter, (to be broken up); a manx boat, and the smack Mary, to be sold entire.

KIRKCUDBRIGHT, Friday 9th—246¼ gallons geneva; 354 gallons rum; 362¼ gallons brandy; 2¼ gallons red French wine; 1¼ gallon Spanish white wine; a parcel of figs, raisins, and 464 lib. sugar; a smack, with her furniture, to be sold entire.

OBAN, Saturday 10th—The sloop Lilly, and the sloop Jean, with their furniture and apparel, (to be broken up).

TO be SOLD by public roup, within the house of Mr Bayne vintner in Borrowstounness, on Thursday the 18th January 1787, betwixt the hours of twelve and two o'clock mid day,



THE BRIG NEPTUNE,

British built, burden about 200 tons, as she now lies in the harbour of Borrowstounness, well calculated for any trade; and, as she has had within these nine months repairs to the amount of 300 l. Sterling about her bows, may be fitted out for Greenland at an easy expence.

Inventories and conditions of sale to be seen in the hands of Mr John Scougal, Leith, or Captain Alexander Cannon on board the ship, who are impowered to conclude a private bargain.

MUNDELL's SCHOLARS.

THE Anniversary Meeting of the Gentlemen educated at the late Mr Mundell's School is to be this year in FORTUNE's, the Cross Keys Tavern, on Saturday the 20th of January.

Dinner to be on the Table at half past three o'clock.

MINERAL WATERS.

JOHN MONCREIFF, Apothecary, North Bridge Street, in consequence of repeated applications, has fixed on a plan for accommodating his Customers with MINERAL WATERS of the following kinds:

Pymont Water.		Cheltenham Spa Water.	
German Spa	ditto.	Bath	ditto.
* Seltzer	ditto.	Scarborough	ditto.
* Harrogate	ditto.	Bristol	ditto.
Neville Holt	ditto.	Jessops	ditto.
Malvern	ditto.	* Gilsland	ditto.
Tilbury	ditto.	* Hartfell	ditto.

Those marked thus *, are already arrived, and are the only Mineral Waters which are at present in request here. The others will not be commissioned till the applications shall afford some reason to believe there will be a sale for them.

John Moncreiff has of late made considerable improvements on his ELECTRICAL APPARATUS.—He has formerly mentioned the cases in which he has found Electricity successful; and has only at present to add, that in the Chronic Rheumatism in particular, it has in every instance either produced a cure, or greatly relieved the patient.

Ever since he began business, John Moncreiff has endeavoured to keep the best Medicines, and to do every thing in his power to deserve the countenance of the public. His Customers may be assured that he will in future endeavour to serve them with the same attention; and that he continues to give the same regular and personal attendance on every branch of his business.

N. B. An APPRENTICE WANTED.
Edinburgh, Jan. 11. 1787.

British State Lottery, *Anno* 1786,

Begins drawing on Monday the 12th February 1787.
Not two Blanks to a Prize—and the prizes to be paid in money, without deduction.

THE Original Tickets and Shares, from a Half to a Sixteenth, in variety of Thousands, stamped and secured pursuant to act of Parliament, are sold and registered by

WHITE AND MITCHEL,
At the Licensed State Lottery Office opposite to the Tron Church, Edinburgh,
(On account of Messrs Richardson and Goodluck, London)
Where all business respecting the Lottery is transacted, by appointment of Government, and no where else in Scotland on their account.

Money for the prizes sold at this office will be paid, at current value, so soon as drawn, or, agreeable to act of Parliament, in June 1787, without deduction.

At their offices, in last lottery, No. 48,577, a prize of Twenty Thousand Pounds, was sold in three fourths, one eight, and two sixteenths—No. 27,964, a prize of Ten Thousand Pounds, in one half, one fourth, one eighth, and two sixteenths—No. 41,827, a prize of Five Thousand Pounds, in two fourths, two eigths, and four sixteenths—No. 5473 and No. 18,479, prizes of Five Thousand Pounds, in whole tickets—besides two of 2000l. eight of 1000l. and nine of 500l.——And in lottery 1784, both the Twenty Thousand Pound Prizes [illegible], one in a whole ticket, the other divided into shares—besides one of 5000l. two of 2000l. one of 1000l. and five of 500l.; of which one of 5000l. three of 1000l. and four of 500l. were sold at Edinburgh.

Chances, policies, and every other mode of adventuring, different from tickets or shares, is contrary to act of Parliament; and though prizes, the payment cannot be enforced.

Country Correspondents may have tickets and shares sent, on remitting bills at sight or a short date. Correct numerical and register books are kept. Schemes to be had gratis at the office. Letters post paid duly answered.

NOTICE.

To the HERITORS of the Parish of BOTHWELL, and shire of Lanark.

IN the process for localling the stipend lately modified to the minister of that parish, presently depending before Lord Hailes, his Lordship pronounced the following interlocutor:

Edinburgh, Dec. 16. 1786.

"The Lord Ordinary of new ordains the haill heritors "who have not yet produced rights to the teinds of their "lands within the parish, to lodge the same in the clerk's "hands (if they any have) betwixt and the 20th of January "next; with certification, that they will not be received "after that day, but upon payment of the expence hither-"to incurred in the locality; and ordains the common a-"gent to intimate this order in the Edinburgh and Glasgow "news-papers." In obedience to the above appointment the common agent gives this notice.

PRICE LOWERED.

TO be SOLD by voluntary roup, within the Exchange Coffeehouse, Edinburgh, upon Wednesday the 17th day of January curt. betwixt the hours of five and six o'clock in the evening,

The Lands of THREEBURNFORD,

with the pertinents lying in the parish of Channelkirk, and shire of Berwick, which were in the natural possession of Alexander Pierie writer in Edinburgh, now deceased, the proprietor. These lands hold of the Crown, for payment of a small feu-duty, and are valued in the cess-books at 106 l. 5 s. Scots.

The lands afford excellent pasture for sheep, and there is at present a good stock upon the grounds, which will be sold either separately, or along with the lands, if purchasers incline.

There is plenty of game in the neighbourhood, and an excellent house upon the grounds for accommodating a family.

The purchaser is entitled to enter into possession as at Martinmas last.

For further particulars apply to John Elder writer, Mackenzie's Office, Parliament Square, Edinburgh; in whose hands the title-deeds of the lands, and articles of roup will be seen.

TO be SOLD by public roup, within John's Coffeehouse, Edinburgh, on Wednesday the 24th January 1787, betwixt the hours of five and six afternoon,

That LAIGH HOUSE and SHOP,

being the north half of the ground storey of the southmost tenement, built by William Archibald, on part of the lands of Goosedub and Yardhall, lying on the east side of the street, leading from Bristo-street and Chapel of Ease to the Sciennes; consisting of a Shop with a fire place, a fore room, a back room, with a bed closet, and a cellar below the back room, lately possessed by William Black, baker, and now by Thomas Thomson, at the yearly rent of L. 9 Sterling.

The progress and conditions of sale to be seen in the hands of Adam Bruce, writer in Edinburgh, who will inform as to further particulars.

This Day is Published,
BY C. ELLIOT, PARLIAMENT-SQUARE,
In octavo, price 6s. 6d. in boards,
VOLUME II. of

An Inquiry into the Present State of MEDICAL SURGERY.

Including the Analogy betwixt External and Internal Disorders; and the inseparability of these branches of the same profession.

BY THOMAS KIRKLAND, M.D.

☞ This volume treats on Abscesses, or Inflammations which end in suppuration, &c.

Where may be had,

The First Volume of this Work; in which the inseparability of the different branches of medicine—the brain and nerves—the sympathy of the nerves, and different kinds of irritability—irritability in general, the pulse, and fevers, being considered—the author proceeds to the object of his work, "An Inquiry into Medical Surgery;" and treats on the different kinds of inflammations which terminate by discussion.

And also most of this author's other works.

C. ELLIOT has this day published a New Edition, being the Fourth, of Mr BELL on Ulcers, Inflammations, and White Swellings in the Joints, &c. 8vo, price 6s. in boards.

C. Elliot will publish, in a few days,

1. Mr Bell's System of Surgery, vol. 5th, with copperplates.
2. System of Anatomy and Physiology, 3 vols 8vo, 18s. in boards.
3. Dr Duncan's Medical Commentaries for 1786, decade 2d, vol. 1st, 8vo, price 6s. in boards.
4. Dr Nisbet on the Venereal Disease, one vol 8vo.
5. A new edition (the third) of Mr Bell's Surgery, volume 1st.

French Apples from Bourdeaux.

JUST arrived, after a short passage, in excellent condition, a quantity of FRENCH APPLES, WALLNUTS, CHESNUTS, and PLUMBS, (the only French Fruit yet arrived here) to be sold in wholesale and retail, at FINCH, WEDDELL, and COMPANY's, Confectioners, facing the Tron Church, Edinburgh.

TANWORK FOREMAN.

WANTED to superintend, and to work himself in a considerable Tanwork, a FOREMAN fully master of that business.

Without a certificate of his knowledge of the business, of his sobriety and honesty, none need apply. If possessed of these, he will meet with ample encouragement.

Apply to Mess. Stewart, Faichney, and Co. at Perth, or Thomas Scotland, at Mr James Buchan's, writer to the signet, Edinburgh.

LANDS IN AYR-SHIRE.

TO be SOLD by public roup, within the Tontine Tavern in Glasgow, on Wednesday the 24th day of January 1787, betwixt the hours of one and three in the afternoon,

All and whole the LANDS of KNOCKEWART, with the seat in the kirk of Ardrossan, with the tythes, parsonage and vicarage of the said lands, lying within the parish of Ardrossan, and shire of Ayr.

These lands [illegible] of 354 acres or thereby, and are at present possessed by Robert Craig, at 116 l. yearly rent.—The tenant likewise pays the whole yearly burdens, without being allowed any deduction from the rent.

The progress of writs and articles of roup are to be seen in the hands of Thomas and Robert Grahame, writers in Glasgow; to whom any person wishing to make a private bargain for these lands may transmit his offer.

Ground at Leith to be feued.

THERE is to be feued out, by public roup, in Mrs Sarsfield's, on the Shore of Leith, on the 26th January 1787, at six evening,

These YARDS or AREAS lying betwixt the Horse Wynd and the Sheep-head Wynd in Leith, with the two ranges of houses built on part of said areas, presently possessed by Mrs Martin grocer, Alexander Wilson, and others.

This property runs 70 feet alongst St Andrew's Street, and has a greater front to St Giles Street; and being situated within a few yards of the Harbour, is well calculated either for building on, or for the purpose of a manufactory.

Persons inclining to purchase before the day of sale, may apply to Alexander Neilson writer in Leith.

HOUSE IN GEORGE-STREET.

To be SOLD by Public Roup, within the Royal Exchange Coffeehouse, Edinburgh, on Wednesday 24th January, 1787, between the hours of six and seven afternoon,

THAT HOUSE on the north side of George-street, being the one immediately to the east of St Andrew's Church, consisting of a dining room, drawing room, and nine bedrooms, with servants hall, kitchen, cellars, back ground, and other conveniencies.

Also an AREA of 40 feet in front of Thistle-street, sufficient for building a coach house and stables, besides several other conveniencies.

For particulars, apply to Daniel Hamilton, clerk to the signet, Wind mill-street, Edinburgh.

By Adjournment.

Sale of a House in Edinburgh.

TO be SOLD by public roup, within the Old Exchange Coffeehouse, Edinburgh, by Robert Donaldson writer to the signet, *curator bonis* to Robert Wilson surgeon in Edinburgh, under the authority of the Court of Session, upon Wednesday the 17th January 1787, at six o'clock afternoon, Lot VI. of the said Robert Wilson's subjects, being

The TENEMENT of HOUSES in Advocate's Close, Edinburgh, consisting of three flats, commonly called the Shakespear Printing Office, as presently possessed by William Darling printer and bookseller, at the yearly rent of 20 l. Sterling; which, for the encouragement of purchasers, will be set up at 200 l. Sterling.

The articles of roup, and progress of writs, are to be seen in Mr Donaldson's hands, at any time before the sale.

Heritable Debt to Sell.

TO be SOLD by public voluntary auction, within the Exchange Coffeehouse, (A. Ramsay's), Edinburgh, on Tuesday the 6th day of February 1787, between the hours of six and seven o'clock in the evening,

An HERITABLE BOND for the sum of Two Thousand Pounds Sterling, over the lands of Mollance, and others, belonging to William Copland of Colliestón, Esq; lying in the parish of Crossmichael, and stewartry of Kirkcudbright with the burden of the liferent of a Lady about 46 years of age. The security is undoubted, and the titles complete.

The grounds of debt and conditions of sale to be seen in the hands of George Robinson, clerk to the signet, Queen's Street, Edinburgh, who is empowered to sell by private bargain.

FROM THE LONDON GAZETTE, *Jan.* 9.

Ostend, January 6.

AN imperial edict was issued here on the 11th ult. repealing all edicts, ordinances, and regulations concerning the corn trade in these provinces, and declaring that henceforward every one shall be at liberty to export or import all kinds of grain and meal, without being subjected to the inspection of the police, or any other restriction or formality whatever, except the payment of the duties hitherto paid on the exportation or importation of those articles.

LLOYD's LIST.—*Jan.* 9.

CAPTAIN Johns, of the Potomack Planter, on the 21st ult. spoke the Lady St John, M'Allister, from London to Grenada, 50 leagues westward of Scilly; out two days from Portland, all well.

The Union, Heath, from Bilboa to the coast of France and Tingmouth, is lost near St Andero.

The Hero, Walker, from Musquito shore to London, is put into Charleston after springing a leak, and being out four weeks.

The Prosperous, Major, from Newfoundland for Pool, was spoke with about 100 leagues to the eastward of the Banks, in a most distressed condition. She had the day before shipped a very violent sea, whereby the captain, mate, and a passenger were washed overboard, and the ship damaged; however there is reason to think she got safe to Ireland.

LONDON,—*Jan.* 10.

The surplus million, and Treaty, are expected to form the chief articles of opposition, in their debate on the Address. The impeachment is not to be brought forward early; some say, not before the holidays.

Several plans have been proposed to the Ministry, for the regulation of certain offices, imposts, &c. but are not to be taken into consideration in any respect, until the material business of the next sessions is ended.

Commotions have been very frequent at Constantinople since the rumours that the Captain Pacha had failed in Egypt, and it is with the utmost difficulty that the Divan can amuse the people with fictitious relations.

Mr Orde's health is by no means perfectly reestablished; and it is a doubt amongst his friends, whether he will be able to undergo the fatigues of the approaching campaign.

In consequence of the new arrangements which are on the *tapis*, the Marquis of Lansdown came express to town from Bowood on Saturday morning. Whether the *man of the woods* is again to be personally engaged in the bustle of ministerial warfare, we understand is not yet determined, but it is certain, that all his influence is exerted at the present crisis, to secure as powerful an interest as possible in the cabinet, against a future occasion, when the 'time' being less 'out of joint,' the accomplishment of his purposes may be effected with more security.

Lord Chief Baron Skynner has behaved in the most handsome manner on the subject of his resignation: His was simple and unconditional. His friends endeavoured to dissuade him from resigning so soon. They said he might hold his high office much longer, and so retain the emoluments of it; and that at length he might make good terms for himself and his family: But the worthy judge was not influenced by these arguments. He said, that he felt he was no longer able to discharge the duties of his office; and that conscience and honour would not suffer him to take the emoluments, without sharing in the fatigue of deserving them.

The following commanders in the East India service are to take leave of the Court of Directors on Friday next in Leadenhall-street, previous to their setting off to join their respective ships:

Captain Chatfield, of the Rodney, for Madeira and Bengal.

Captain Clarkson, of the Osterly, for Coast and China.

Captain Lindegreen, of the Barrington, for China.

Captain Wakefield, of the Lascelles, for Coast and China.

Captain Huddart, of the Royal Admiral, for ditto.

Captain Macnab, of the Henry Dundas, for Bombay.

Captain Cooper, of the Atlas, for Bengal.

And in the course of the month there are eleven more Captains to take leave, whose ships are getting ready as fast as possible for different parts of India.

The ships appointed by the Admiralty Board to go out to the Leeward Islands with Sir Andrew Snape Hammond, who has accepted of the command on that station, in the room of Sir R. Pickerton resigned, are the Jupiter of 50 guns; Maidstone, of 28; and Resolution sloop, of 16 guns; the vessels are all coppered, fully manned, victualled for six months, and at Spithead ready to sail, when final orders are sent down to them.

The foreign troops engaged for the East India Company's settlements in Asia, and going out in the ships which compose the present fleet, are all Hanoverians, (hired of his Majesty in his capacity as Sovereign of the Electoral dominions) half the number which are to go out have been already brought over from Stade, where they were embarked, and on the arrival of the transports in the river, they were put on board the Company's ships; Chesterfield, Captain Boswell; Thetis, Captain Nutt; Lord Camden, Captain Dance; Locko, Captain Baird; Melville Castle, Captain Dundas; Britannia, Captain Cummyng; and Princess Royal, Captain Horncastle, while those ships were at Gravesend who are to convey them to St Helena, Bombay, and Bengal. There is another detachment from Bremer Leah, which are expected to be detained in the river Aller by the frosts which have been so severe in Germany, as they are not yet arrived, and some of the East Indiamen are detained on this account. The cause of the disturbance which these foreigners made on board the Company's ships, is said to be owing to their expectations of better quarters than could possibly be assigned them. The trouble, however, which their complaints had been likely to occasion, has been put an end to, at least for the present.

A treaty of marriage is said to be on the tapis, between Lord Brudenell and Miss Harris, sister to the Ambassador at the Hague. A mutual passion for music, is said to have been the foundation of this harmony of affections. So that when the match does take place, it may very properly be stiled a *music-meeting*.

Another treaty of the same kind, and which reports says is soon to be ratified, subsists between Lord Semple and Miss Mellish, the lady who has lately gone through so many Courts of justice, in the dispute with Miss Rankin.

Amongst the succession of projects which are daily suggested and pursued, the scheme of lowering the interest of money is by no means abandoned. It is, however, a measure of very serious moment, and should not be adopted without the most solemn consideration. If the interest of money be reduced without cause, it may answer the purpose of the Minister, by occasioning a temporary rise in the funds, but would be, at the same time, of material detriment to the middling orders of the community. But if, on the contrary, the measure should be found justifiable, from the accession of national wealth, it would then, in the language of Sir Joshua Child, "advance the price of land, improve our farms, employ the poor, multiply our artificers, and encrease our foreign trade." The interest of money was first reduced in 1623, from ten to eight per cent. in 1751 to six per cent. and afterwards in 1614, to its present standard.

In the House of Peers, on their meeting, the business respecting the St Eustatius papers will very early be brought forward by Lord Rodney.

On Friday a Committee from the body of the Wine merchants of this kingdom had a conference with the Minister, at his house in Downing-street, on the subject of the operation of the French Treaty, on that branch of Commerce.

There is to be a grand Cabinet meeting on Saturday next at the Marquis of Stafford's house at Whitehall, to commence some parliamentary arrangements previous to the opening of the ensuing sessions of Parliament.

A reason has been given for Lord Mansfield's not compleating the resignation which on the first day of the last term he offered; namely, that were he to resign during the recess, all the writs now issued would be useless, and that therefore we cannot expect his resignation before the Essoign Day. This has been suggested by those who think it impossible that the noble and learned Lord should hesitate to resign from any political reason, after having voluntarily declared his intention, and requested that Ministers would be speedy in their appointment of a successor.

Genuine Anecdote.—When Earl Gower was lately created Marquis of Stafford, the friends of the Countess of Sutherland, who married Viscount Trentham, the Earl's eldest son—congratulated her Ladyship upon the prospect of her becoming a Marchioness:—When the fair Caledonian, declared with a sigh, that she should have felt more pride in seeing the ancient title of Sutherland, * supersede in her offspring that of Gower, than in becoming the first Duchess in England.

* The title of *Sutherland* is of so old a creation as the year 1257,—that of Earl Gower only since the year 1746. Lord *Gower* was aware of this, and availed himself of the plea. And to prevent the consequence of the family from being lost, supplicated the Marquisate, with which he is at present dignified.

The Duchess de Giraca, who died lately at Paris and left a bequest of one hundred guineas to be distributed among such poor English, Irish, and Scotch, as should apply for the charity, was by birth a Fitz-James, sister to the present Duke Fitz-James, Mareschal of France, and daughter by the second wife of the famous Duke of Berwick. This Lady was consequently grand daughter to King James II. She was of course related, by her father's side, to all that is great in England; and by her mother's, she was related to Lord Viscount Bulkley; her mother having been Miss Bulkley, one of the Maids of Honour to Mary, Queen Consort to James II. daughter to Lieut. General Bulkley, brother to the then Viscount of that name.

Lady Mary Howard has passed her long life with such invariable and systematic oeconomy, as from a jointure of 700 l. per ann. only, to accummulate the sum of 25,000 l. the whole of which, with the deduction of a few trifling legacies, she has bequeathed to her niece Lady Julia Howard. The jointure, of course, devolves to his Lordship, the Earl of Carlisle.

A young lady has lately discovered the whole process of *Etruscan* painting, and from some examples which she has given of her skill, there is great reason to expect some works that will add to the honour this country has already acquired in the school of the arts.

One Joseph Caulier, a poor man who was born deaf and dumb, was tried lately at Paris for a *rape* at Perenne, of which he was accused and condemned. The magistrate sentenced him to be whipt and sent to the gallies for life: however this sentence was annulled, in consideration of his not being properly qualified to judge of the nature of the crime, as he was deprived of the two faculties of speech and hearing, so that he is, in consequence of being disordered in his mind, sent to the *Bicetre* for life, to be treated as a maniac.

The ships bound to Botany Bay will steer the same course as the latter East India ships generally do, viz. between the Canary Islands; from whence they bear away to the coast of South America, to get the trade-winds, and then frequently fall in with the Island of Trinidada, which lies 20 degrees to the southward of the Equinoctial line, where they may find plenty of stock, and fine waters. At this last place Commodore Johnstone left the crew of the Rattlesnake sloop of war, with every utensil for forming a small settlement, which was not persevered in, because the Spaniards claimed the island; but all who were left there, on their return to England, gave such an account of the place, that it may be justly stiled an earthly paradise. It is but a small island; produces two crops of corn, pease, and pulse yearly. Currants and gooseberries are in great abundance, with numerous other fruits. Wild hogs, and various kinds of wild fowl, are in great plenty. The coast is supplied with fish; and there are many curious sorts of wood grow there. Such an island, not inhabited, cannot fail of being a comfortable half way call to the Botany Bay voyagers, who may be there recruited in their health, without danger of escaping.

Letters from Berlin bring an account of the death of Mr Gregory, Ambassador of that Court to Dresden, and mention the appointment of Mr De Jacobi, son of Professor Formey, to the honours lately held by the former Gentleman.

A few days since, the Stormont, just arrived from the Streights, landed four forty-two brass pounders at Topping's Wharf, Tooley Street, with several broken pieces of cannon, which were taken up by Mr Braithwaite, in the Bay of Gibraltar, after the destruction of the Spanish bomb boats.

Mess. Peltiers and Carier, bankers of St Maloes, stopt payment on Christmas eve. Their deficiencies are said to amount to 800,000 livres. It is only eighteen months since they went into business.

The report of the Dey of Algiers having directed his xebecs to capture any ships belonging to the subjects of Great Britain is probably without foundation, as we have the best authority to say, the last advices from Mr Logie, our Consul to that State, do not mention any such circumstance having taken place.

PRICE OF STOCKS, JAN. 10.

Bank Stock, —	3 per cent. India Ann. —
New 4 per cent. 1777, 93½ a ⅝	India Bonds, 50 s. prem.
5 per cent. Ann. 1785, shut, 110¾ a ¼ for open.	New Navy and Vict. Bills, 2½ disc.
3 per cent. red. 74⅞ a ½.	Long Ann. 22 1-16th.
3 per cent. con. shut, 73⅞ a 74 ex div.	10 Years Short Ann. 1777, —
3 per cent. 1726, shut.	30 Years Ann. 1778, [illegible]
South Sea Stock, —	Exch. Bills, —
Old S. S. Ann. 73⅞ a 74.	Lottery Tickets, 14 l. 19 s. a 19 s. 6 d.
New ditto, —	Consols for Jan. 75¼.
3 per cent. 1751, —	Ditto for Feb. 76.
India Stock, shut.	

WIND AT DEAL, JAN. 9. E. N. E.

EDINBURGH.

Extract of a letter from London, Jan. 10.

"A meeting of all the members of the cabinet are summoned for Saturday next, at the Marquis of Stafford's, when the new arrangements so long talked of, and now so confidently reported, will, it is said, be made.

"The Commissioners for enquiring into the state of Crown lands, have made a very considerable progress therein, and it is determined, we hear, to clear all the forests, &c. of the timber on them, and plant oak thereon for ship-building, and other purposes.

"A meeting of all the shopkeepers and traders, &c. is to be held on Friday next at Leathersellers-hall, at which the members of London, Westminster, Middlesex, and the Borough of Southwark, have promised to attend, for the purpose of considering of the most effectual means of procuring a repeal of the shop-tax, the oppression of which is daily more and more experienced.

"A plan is in agitation, and expected to be sanctioned by Government, for the more effectually preventing robberies, &c. as well as for making good the loss individuals may sustain therefrom, by way of opening a subscription of a small sum from every housekeeper throughout England; and, in consequence thereof, not only prosecute any one that may rob him free of expence, but also reimburse him in whatever he may have been robbed of, provided it does not exceed a certain sum.

"The ensuing birth-day at St James's is expected to make every appearance as if the Commercial Treaty with France was actually settled and adjusted, as the Court, at the anniversary of her Majesty's birth, to morrow se'ennight, is likely to have a greater display of French foppery and French finery, than ever remembered; a vast number of various rich and sumptuous dresses having been already imported on the occasion.

"By letters lately received from Brussels, it appears that the following was the occasion of the late outrage of the students of the University of Louvain, which required the aid of 3000 troops to quell:—A Professor of Divinity, lately come there from Vienna, began his first lecture in the following words: "In this eighteenth century, in this enlightened age, we no longer reason like St Ambrose or St Augustin. We know that virtuous and good men of every religion professed in the world may be saved."—No more was necessary to raise an insurrection in the whole class, who were already offended at his appointment. The enthusiasm was easily communicated to the other classes. The students joined the citizens in crying out, *Antiqua Religio!* "Our old Religion!" Thus, the admission of other sects to the favour of the Divinity, whose favour these younkers pretend is reserved for Catholics alone, is the real pretext for this insurrection. The University of Louvain is connected with that of Sorbonne; both of them, it is said, having Charlemagne for their founder; but it would appear that the Parisian Doctors are not fond of intermeddling in this dispute.

On the 8th inst. died at Lynn, in Norfolk, Miss Maria Lidderdale, daughter of the late Dr Thomas Lidderdale.

Yesterday morning, died here, Mr John Fortune, vintner in Edinburgh.

HUNTERS BALL.

Thursday night, the New Assembly Rooms in George-street, New Town, were opened with a very brilliant Ball given by the Noblemen and Gentlemen of the CALEDONIAN HUNT. The company, as usual, was select, and consisted of persons of the first distinction in Scotland. Such an assemblage of beauty, elegance, and taste, perhaps, never appeared before in this country. Upon a moderate computation, the sum expended upon this occasion, in dresses, &c. (exclusive of jewels), cannot be less than ten thousand pounds, which will prove of great benefit, by giving a circulation of money amongst mercers, haberdashers, milliners, &c. The Caledonian Hunt consists of sixty members, seventeen of whom are Noblemen, eleven Baronets, and the others mostly gentlemen of large estates. Each member had two ladies and one gentleman's ticket to give away; besides, near ninety others were admitted, which made the company three hundred and twenty one in all.

The dancing in the small room ended about five yesterday morning, when the company sat down to supper in the large room at one table, and between four and five o'clock many of the company retired, others continued till past eight. Some foreigners were present, who were much pleased with the beauty and elegance of the ladies, and with their manner of dancing; they had seen most of the courts of Europe, and gave the preference to the Scots ladies, whose dresses they also admired. The supper was mostly cold, followed with a good dessert for the season; and the wines were of the best kind and in profusion; on the whole, this ball gave great satisfaction to all present.

The Assembly Room is the largest in Britain, except the great room at Bath, and is said to exceed it in elegance and just proportion: it is ninety-two feet long, forty-two broad, and thirty feet high. The building of the whole rooms, &c. has cost above eight thousand pounds.

The following members of the Hunt were present at the Ball:—

Lord Elibank, King of the Ball.
Duke of Gordon.
Earl of Hadinton.
Earl of Glencairn.
Lord Elphingston.
Lord Haddo.
Lord Maitland, M. P.
Sir James Baird.
Sir John Whiteford.
Sir William Dick.
Sir John Scott.
Sir William Augustus Cunnynghame, M. P.
Sir Archibald Hope.
Sir William Erskine.
Mr Macdowall of Garthland.
Mr Macdowall of Logan.
Mr Hamilton of Pencaitland, M. P.
Mr Nisbet of Dirleton.
Mr Baird of Newbyth.
Mr Houston of Jordanhill.
Captain Houston of Calderhall.
Mr Macdonald of Clanranald.
Mr Hamilton of Wishaw.
Mr Douglas of Cavers.
Mr Dundas Macqueen, Advocate.
Mr Campbell of Shawfield
Colonel Wemyss.
Captain Campbell of Lochnell.
Captain Duncan of Saintford.
Captain Archibald Douglas.
Captain Charles Ross of Balnagowan, M. P.
Captain Haggart, Secretary.

The following is an exact list of the rest of the Company as it was in our power to procure. It is hoped any inaccuracies or omissions will be excused on account of the want of time.

Aboyne, Earl of	A	Arbuthnot, two Misses
Aboyne, Countess of		Anstruther, Mr
Aberdeen, Countess of		Anstruther, three Misses
Alexander, Mr, of Ballachmyle		Arbuthnot, Captain
		Arbuthnot, Captain
B. Buchan, Earl of	B	Beacher, Miss
Buchan, Countess of		Blair, Mr, of Blair
Banff, Lord		Brown, Mr, younger of [illegible]liston
Burnet, Miss, Monboddo		Bennet, Mr, surgeon
Baird, Lady		Baillie, Mr
Baillie, two Misses, of Jerviswood		Brown, Captain
Brown, Mrs		Baillie, Mr
Colvill[illegible], Lady	C	Colt, Mrs
Campbell, Mr Ilay, Lord Advocate		Campbell, Captain, of Sa[illegible]
Clark, Sir John		Campbell, four Misses, Blythswood
Cunningham, Lady Augustus		Campbell, Miss
Clark, Lady		Campbell, Captain, younger of Blythswood
Charteris, Mr, M. P.		Campbell, Mr Ilay, junior
Charteris, Mr		Clyde, Captain
Cunningham, Lady Elisabeth		Cochran, Mr
Charteris, Mrs, younger		Cheape, Mr, wine merchant, Leith
Charteris, two Misses		Crawford, Miss, Redbraes
Campbell, two Misses, Shawfield		Cranston, Miss
Campbell, Mrs Colonel		Campbell, Miss
Colt, Mr, of Inveresk, M. P.		
Dick, Lady,	D	Duff, Mr, of Fetteresso
Dick, two Misses		Dundas, Mrs, of Arniston
Dare, Lord		Douglas, Lady Elisabeth
Douglas, Mrs, General		Douglas, two Misses
Douglas, two Misses		Dalrymple, two Misses
Dundas, Mr Solicitor General		Dalrymple, Colonel
		Douglas, Hon. Mr
Dalrymple, Capt. Horne		Drummond, Captain
Dalrymple, Captain		
Errol, Earl of	E	Erskine, Mr of Dun
Elphinston, Hon. Miss		Erskine, Major
Erskine, Hon. Mr Henry, Dean of Faculty		Elder, Mr, merchant
		Edgar, Mr, Commissioner
Erskine, Hon. Mr Andrew		
Forbes, Sir William, banker	F	Ferguson, Mr of Pitfour
Fordyce, Mr, of Aytoun		Forbes, Hon. Capt.
Fordyce, Mrs of Aytoun		Fraser, Miss
Fordyce, Miss		Finlay, two Misses, Drumm[illegible]
Gordon, Duchess of	G	Gordon, Miss
Gordon, Hon. Mr		Gordon, Lady
Gordon, Lady Elizabeth		Gillons, two Misses, of Wallace
Gordon, Mr		
Gordon, Hon. Miss		Grant, Miss
Gordon, Lady Charlotte		Grieve, Lord Provost
Gordon, Hon. Miss		Gordon, Captain
Gordon, Hon. Miss Grace		Grant, Mr
Haddo, Lady, Queen of the Ball	H	Houston, Mr
		Houston, Capt. younger of Calderhall
Huntly, Marquis of		
Hay, Lady Elizabeth		Houston, Mrs of Jordanhill
Hay, Lady Charlotte		Hamilton, Mrs Pencaitland
Hay, Lady Harriet,		Hamilton, two Misses, Wishaw
Hay, Mrs of Tweedale house		Hay, Dr James of Hayston
Hay, Mrs		Hay, Mr, banker
Hay, two Misses, of Hayston		Hamilton, Hon. Miss
Hope, Lady		Hamilton, Mr, of Bangour
Hunter-Blair, Sir James, Bart.		Hope, Captain
Hunter-Blair, Lady		Hay, Captain
Hamilton, Hon. Colonel		Houston, Captain
Hope, Miss		
Johnston, Mrs	I	Inglis, Mr, Advocate
Johnston, Miss		Jamieson, two Mr
Johnston, Miss Mary		
Kinloch, Miss of Gilmerton,	K	Keith, Miss
Lindsay, Lady Margaret	L	Lindsay, two Misses
Leslie, Hon. General		Lumsden, Mr, Writer to the Signet
Lindsay, Hon. Mr Hugh		
Lindsay, Hon. Mr		Lumsden, Mrs
Lockhart Ross, Sir John		

Morton, Earl of	M	Maitland, Hon. Captain
Macleod, Lord		Maitland, Hon. Captain
Macleod, Lady		Maitland, Mr
Maitland, Lady		Maitland, Captain
Maitland, Hon. Miss		Morrison, Major, Naughton
Maitland, Miss		Macpherson, Colonel
Murray, Sir William		Macneil, Mr of Collonsay
Murray, Lady		Maclean, Captain of Ardgoul
Murray, Miss		Macdonald, Mrs, Clanranald
Montgomery, Lord Chief Baron		Macdonald, two Misses, of Clanranald
Murray, Lord Henderland,		Macdonell, Colonel
Murray, Mr James-Wolfe, Advocate		Macdonald, Captain
Melville, Major,		Murray, Miss
Maxwells, two Mr		Macwhiney, Mr
Macdowall, Capt. Woolmet		Moyes, Mr
Macdowall, Capt.		Macdowall, Mr
Mitchell, Capt.		Macdowall, Mrs
Mitchell, Mrs		Macdowall, Miss
Mackenzie, Mr, of Dolphington, Advocate		Macewan, Captain
Marjoribanks, Mr		Melville, Miss
Mansfield, Mr, banker		Melville, two Misses
Macadam, Mr		Macartney, Miss
Macadam, two Misses		Macqueen, Mrs
		Muir, Miss
		Monteath, Mr Stewart
Naesmith, Sir James	N	Nisbet, Mrs of Dirleton
Naesmith, Lady		Norton, Hon. Mr Baron of Exchequer
Napier, two Misses		
Oliphant, Mr	O	Oliphant, Mr younger of Rossie
Oliphant, Miss		
Pringle, Miss	P	Pringle, Colonel
Pringle, Miss Margaret		Paulet, Major
Pringle, Mr, Advocate, M. P.		Porterfield, Mr
Rothes, Countess of	R	Rutherford, Miss
Ramsay, Lady		Riddle, Mrs
Ramsay, Sir Alexander		Robertson, Captain
Ramsay, Sir George		Redwood, Mr
Rae, Miss		Rannie, Mr
Robertson, Miss		Robertson, Mr, painter
Selkirk, Countess of	S	Stodart, Mr, Commissioner of Excise
Stewart, Lady Margaret		Stewart, Miss
Stewart, Lady Anne		Sands, Mrs
Suttie, Sir James		Sinclair, Mr, younger of Stevenson
Skene, Mr, of Skene, M. P.		Scott, two Captains, Milleny
Stewart, Hon. Mr James		Sands, Major
Smith, Mr, of Methven		Stewart, Captain
Smith, Mrs, of Methven		Syme, Mr, writer to the Signet
Semple, Hon. Miss		
Scott, three Misses		
Speirs, Miss		
Stodart, Miss		
Tait, Mr, Advocate	T	Trotter, Miss
Twysden, Mr		Trotter, Major
Taylor, Mr Cathcart		Trotter, Captain
Tytler, Captain		
Whiteford, Lady	W	Wauchope, Mr, of Edmondstone
Wemyss, Miss, of Wemyss		Wood, Mr Alexander, Surgeon
Wemyss, Miss		Wood, Mr George
Whiteford, two Misses		Whiteford, Captain
Wallace, Miss		Warrender, Mr
Wilkie, Miss, of Fouldon		
Watson, Mr of Saughton		
Young, Mr, Upholsterer		

It is supposed the company at the Ball on her Majesty's birth-day, next Thursday, will be equally brilliant, and still more numerous.

We hear, that Mr Palmer intends in the Spring to extend his plan of the mail coaches to Aberdeen, Glasgow, &c. and that the towns in Scotland to which the post now goes three times a-week, will have a post every day, which will be a great conveniency to the public, and advantage to trade and commerce.

Thursday about noon, a gentleman's son was rode over at the end of Prince's-street, near the bridge, by a chaise driving furiously along, and much hurt, the wheels going over his body. It has, of late, become too much the practice of coachmen and chaise drivers, to push on their horses too rapidly along the streets, to show their mettle, to the great danger of the inhabitants; it is hoped, this accident may induce the Magistrates to make some regulations with respect to carriages, driving along the streets of both Old and New Town, Bridge, and suburbs, so necessary to the whole community; and it is expected, humanity will induce proprietors of carriages to order their servants to drive slowly upon the street.

Dr Daniel Rutherford, lately appointed Professor of Botany, is also appointed Botanist to his Majesty, in the room of Dr Hope, deceased.

On Saturday evening, a woman had her pocket cut off from her side in the Gallowgate, Glasgow.—The alarm being given, the thief was pursued and taken; being carried into a smith's shop hard by, he was discovered to be an old offender, though young in years: a consultation was held how to dispose of him, and it was agreed to crop one of his ears.—The sentence was immediately put into execution and the culprit dismissed.

Last week, as a man and his wife were returning home from Pollockshaws, in the evening, they were attacked on the road by two fellows, and robbed of a pair of silver shoe buckles, and what money they had upon them.

We are informed, that the Presbytery of Loch Carron, considering that most of the young men from their part of the country were educated at King's College, found themselves much interested in the event of a plan in agitation at present, for uniting it with the Marischal College; and, at their meeting of the 28th of November last, having reasoned at considerable length on the outlines of said intended plan published by the Marischal College, and paid every attention to it which a matter of such importance deserves, the Presbytery decidedly and unanimously declared their *disapprobation* of the said plan.

The Plans submitted to the attention of the public, by HORNSBY and Co. are truly and confessedly the most advantageous, because they are manifestly the most *secure*. The engagements they are now under to the public, in locking up One Thousand Lottery-Tickets at an eminent Banker's in CORNHILL, must give an undeniable security to adventurers. For, at least, they must have from Ten to Twenty Thousand Pounds locked up in their business, to enable them to proceed with so desirable a mode. This secures a certainty of fulfilling all their undertakings.

Extract of a letter from Perth, January 10.

"I wrote you of the loss by fire in Bailie Imrie's new house. Fortunately for him and his family, both house and furniture were insured in the Dundee Fire-office. By orders from the office, the house was in a few days put in its former state, and every article burnt or damaged was instantly paid for. The Bailie desires me to acquaint you of the readiness with which his loss was paid; as he considers himself indebted to the Office, he wishes you to make public the easy way in which they settle.

"The Betsy of Kirkaldy, Captain Swine, a missing ship, is safe arrived in Holland."

Extract of a letter from Kelso, Jan. 12.

"On Saturday evening last, two of Mr Roberton of New Town of Roxburgh's servants, having taken one of his horses without his permission, to visit their friends on the opposite side of the Tweed, they attempted to cross at a very dangerous passage a little below Makerstoun, when the horse fell, and one of them was unfortunately drowned: the other, with the horse, got out with great difficulty; though diligent search was made for the body of the drowned person, all Sunday and Monday, it was not found till Tuesday forenoon. This should be a warning to servants not to use their master's property without leave, and to the public in general to refrain from using that dangerous passage across the Tweed.

"On Monday night last, about seven o'clock, Mr Dickenson in Scraesburgh was attacked, on the road between this and Highton, in the hollow on the other side of Spylaw, by two men, who attempted to pull him from his horse, but he had the good fortune to disengage himself from them after knocking one of them down. The night was so dark, he can give no description of them.

"Last Christmas day, and frequently since, there was presented at table in Nenthorn-house, large asparagus, pease, kidney beans, and cauliflower, equally as good as in summer, all produced without the help of a hot-house, flue, or any thing of the like nature. The gardener there lately produced a grown sallad from the seed, in a close room, in the space of twenty-two minutes and a half, before a numerous company, by the power of electricity; and he likewise proposes in the ensuing season to produce a bushel of barley from a single barley corn.

"For a fortnight past, the weather has been remarkably mild for the season. The Thermometer at noon, varying from 40 to 50 degrees, which is a very unusual degree of heat in the middle of winter."

HIGHLAND SOCIETY.

A GENERAL MEETING of this Society was held here on Tuesday the 9th current, agreeable to the institution, and honoured by a numerous attendance of Noblemen and Gentlemen distinguished for their patriotic exertions to promote the welfare of their country.

In absence of the Duke of Argyll, President of the Society, Sir William Forbes of Pitsligo, Baronet, one of the Vice-Presidents, took the chair, when Lord Mountstewart, Sir George Ramsay, Baronet, Sir J. Hunter-Blair, Bart. Mr Erskine of Marr, and thirteen other candidates, were admitted members, after a ballot, as required by the rules of the Society.

The proceedings of the Committee of Directors and Managers for the year 1786 were read over, taken under the consideration of the Meeting, and approved of.

The Meeting proceeded to elect their President, Vice-Presidents, and other Officers, for the present year, when the following were unanimously chosen, viz.

His Grace the DUKE OF ARGYLL continued as President.

The Earl of Aboyne,
Sir William Forbes of Pitsligo, Bart.
The Hon. Henry Erskine, and
Robert Dundas, Esq; younger of Arniston, Sol. Gen. for Scotland.
} Vice Presidents

David Stuart, Esq; Treasurer.
William Macdonald, Esq; Secretary.
Mr John Lesly, Depute Secretary.
Mr Alexander Maclachlan, Recorder and Clerk.

Besides the Committee of thirty Ordinary Directors resident in Edinburgh, for managing the affairs of the Society, they elected the following members

Extraordinary Directors.

The Earl of Moray.
Lord Salton.
The Lord Advocate.
Lord Ankerville.
Sir John Sinclair of Ulbster, Bart.
Æneas Macintosh of Macintosh, Esq;
John Campbell of Airds, Esq;
James Robertson, Esq; of Lude.
Alex. Macleod, Esq; of Harries. And,
Robert Graham, Esq; of Gartmore.

The Meeting afterwards voted the thanks of the Society to the Committee of Directors and Managers for last year; and also to the Earl of Moray and the Lord Advocate, the two senior Vice-Presidents, who go out of office this year, for their steady and spirited conduct in promoting the views of the institution.

The Society voted a sum of money, as usual, to be laid out by the Committee in premiums, to the authors of essays of merit, on the subject of the Fisheries, and other objects connected with their plan, and for promoting Agriculture and Manufactures.

The Meeting further resolved, forthwith to apply for a Royal Charter, in order to render the Society a body corporate; and with that view, and also for enabling them when incorporated to hold shares in the Joint Stock Company, lately established by act of Parliament, for promoting the Fisheries, considerable sums were subscribed; and the subscription paper is to lie with the Secretary, so that members absent from the Meeting, who approve of the measure, may also have an opportunity to subscribe.

Upon reading the copy of a letter from Mr Fraser of Lovat to the Earl of Bredalbane, Deputy Governor of the British Joint Stock Company, transmitted by Lovat, to be communicated to the Society; the thanks of the Meeting, upon motion, were delivered to Mr Fraser, in the politest manner, by the Vice President in the Chair, for the early communication of his sentiments in so forcible and accurate a manner, on a subject of such general importance.

After hearing a report from the Sub Committee upon a series of letters from Mr Knox, an honorary member of the Society, to the Secretary, during his late laborious and hazardous tour, undertaken and carried on at his own private expence solely, through most of the Western Isles, and along the sea coasts of this kingdom, relative to the Fisheries, and the proper stations for harbours, towns, and villages, in the Highlands and Islands, in the view of prosecuting the plan of national improvements; the Society unanimously approved of the resolution of Committee, That the thanks of the Society are justly due to Mr Knox for his writings and publications, as containing much important and useful information on the subjects treated of, and for his unwearied perseverance, disinterested and spirited conduct, in attempting to bring forward at his own private expence these national objects, to the attention and view of government, and for the early communication to the Society of his judicious remarks and prosals; and, that a Gold Medal of Ten Guineas value, with a proper device and inscription, shall be presented to Mr Knox in name of the Society, as a mark of approbation of his meritorious conduct and patriotic exertions to promote the welfare of the nation at large.

To the Printer of the Caledonian Mercury.

SIR,

THE present establishment of the officers in the Customs, has frequently been a subject of very general complaint. At this time when government is at so much pains in consulting the Commercial interest about the very desirable business of consolidating the Customs, it were much to be wished, that the respectable Chambers and other societies who have this matter under consideration, would also have in view the propriety of abolishing the fees, and the material advantages that would arise from putting the officers by adequate salaries, upon that footing, to which, by their rank and respectability, they are entitled.

A suggestion of this kind to the Treasury might be given just now with great propriety. It certainly would be of consequence to the merchant; and it is to be hoped it would be agreeable to the gentlemen of the Customs, for undoubtedly government and they would both ultimately feel its advantage.

JUNIUS.

ARRIVED AT GREENOCK,

Jan. 2. Mary, Brown, from Waterford, with meal.
Peggy, M'Lachlan, from Drogheda, with meal & oats.
3. Sparrow, Howard, from Newfoundland, with oil.
Nelly, Williams, from Strongford, with barley.
4. Katty, Inglis, from Waxford, with ditto.
Recovery, M'Lean, from Drogheda, with meal.
The Cambrass cutter from a cruize.
5. Crawford, Paul, from Drogheda, with meal and barley.
Bell, Anderson, from ditto, with ditto
7. Elizabeth, Blair, from Dundalk, with barley.
Margaret, Thomas, from Donaghadee, with meal.
Betty, Duncan, from ditto, with barley.
Molly and Ann, Stewart, from Drogheda, with meal.
Molly and Peggy, M'Caddy, from ditto, with ditto.

ARRIVED AT LEITH,

Jan. 12. John and William, Brodie, from Dunbar, with grain.
Norfolk, Blewn, from Wells, with grain.
Elizabeth, Nielson, from Shetland, with goods.
Swan, Furnish, from Hull, with goods.
Leith, Gordon, from Borrowstounness, in ballast.
Friendship, Watson, from Shetland, with goods.
13. Friendship, [illegible]
Bulick, Summers, from Burnham, with grain.
Ketty, Macintosh, from Blackney, with grain.

SAILED,

Molly, Leighton, for Montrose, with ditto.
Providence, Ross, for Glasgow, with ditto.
Speedwell, Williams, for Aberdeen, with ditto.
Venus, Lees, for Stornaway, with ditto.
Betsey, Robertson, for Berwick, with ditto.
Jean, Livingston, for Grangemouth, with grain.
Active, Syme, for ditto, with ditto.
Charlestown, Mitchell, for ditto, with dtito.
Christian, Begg, for Hull, with goods.
Mary, Hay, for London, with ditto.
Jean, Napier, for Glasgow, with goods.
Britannia, Stevenson, for Newcastle, with ashes.
John and Mary, Davidson, for Sunderland, with soap.

WIG CLUB.

THE WIG CLUB meets at Fortune's Tavern on Wednesday the 16th current.

CAPTAIN DALRYMPLE in the Chair.

Dinner on the Table at four o'clock.

This day is Published,

A Catalogue of a choice, select, and valuable Collection of PRINTS, by the most eminent Masters, ancient and modern; which will be sold by WILLIAM MARTIN, at the Auction-room of Mr Fysse, Umbrella-maker, Bridge Street, Edinburgh, on TUESDAY the 16th January 1787, and the four following evenings.

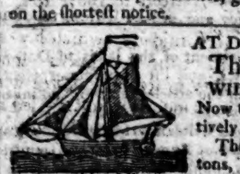
AGNES LITTLE, Milliner, Bridge-Street, begs leave to return her most grateful thanks to her Customers and the Public, for all their favours; and solicits the continuance. She has just now brought with her from London, an elegant variety of Millinery, of the newest patterns; also, Flowers, Feathers, and Fancy Trimmings, Laces, Ribbons, Modes, Muslins, &c. which she hopes will meet with approbation.

Every article in the Millinery Line made upon the shortest notice, and on the lowest terms. And commissions gratefully attended to.

INN AT GLAMMIS.

JOHN MACLEAN, late butler to Sir David Carnegie, Baronet, of Southesk, respectfully informs the Nobility, Gentry, and others, that he has taken and entered to the INN at GLAMMIS, formerly possessed by Mr William Monro, and has now furnished and fitted it up in such a manner, as he hopes will render every accommodation perfectly agreeable to those who may be pleased to honour him with their countenance.

N. B. Neat post-chaises, good horses, and careful drivers on the shortest notice.



AT DUNBAR—FOR LONDON,
The Smack ELIZA,
WILLIAM GILLIES Master,
Now taking in goods, and will positively sail the 16th January.

This vessel, burden about 120 tons, was built on purpose for the trade, and to sail fast, is completely fitted up for passengers, and good usage may be depended on.

The master, for many years, has commanded one of the Berwick smacks, and is perfectly acquainted with the trade.

For freight or passage, apply to the master, or C. Middlemass, Dunbar.

PRICES OF GRAIN AT HADDINGTON, Jan. [illegible]

	First.	Second.	Third.
Wheat,	19s. 0d.	17s. 6d.	16s. 0
Barley,	17 6	15 0	15 0
Oats,	13 6	12 0	10 0
Pease,	16 0	15 0	—

This day is Published.

By WILLIAM CREECH,

Price One Shilling,

A PLAN AND ESTIMATE

For enlarging and improving

THE HARBOUR AND TOWN OF LEITH;

By CHARLES HENRY KER.

Also, this day is Published,

WILLIAM CREECH's SALE CATALOGUE for 1787;

CONTAINING

A very large and capital Collection of Books.

NEW MUSIC & MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS

Arrived from London the 5th January 1787,

And to be had at

STEWART'S, Music-Seller, Parliament Square. The Music consisting of the latest works of the first authors in Europe. The Instruments consisting of double and single Harpsichords, with or without Patent Swells and different stops; Grand Piano Fortes, patent ditto, portable and plain ditto of different constructions and sizes, *even for the pocket*; excellent old and new Violins, by the best makers; Guitars, patent and common; German Flutes, with all the joints and keys; Plain and common ditto, &c. All which will, upon trial, be found to equal any hitherto imported.

Good second hand Instruments bought, sold, or exchanged. Harpsichords, Piano Fortes, and all other Musical Instruments lent out on reasonable terms; which, if purchased any time within six months, the hire shall be abated.

The *Music* and *Musical Instruments* to be had at the London Prices.

Just published, a select Collection of Airs, as performed at the Theatre Royal, Edinburgh, by the *Little Devil* and company, adapted for the Harpsichord or Piano Forte.

JAMES MONRO, Canongate Piper, first Turnpike below Canongate Church, at the Spread Eagle, makes and mends all kinds of Bag-pipes; Scotch, Dutch, Irish, Northumberland, &c. German and Common Flutes, in the most genteel manner, and at the lowest rates; and in general turns many other particulars.

Commissions from the country will be carefully observed.

TO be SOLD by public roup, within the Tontine Tavern in Glasgow, upon Wednesday the 24th of January current, between the hours of one and two o'clock afternoon,

Five Original Shares in the Forth and Clyde Navigation, of One Hundred Pounds each, free of incumberances.

An equitable and a really valuable Chance,

Including every prize, from a 20l. to a 20,000l.

In the present ENGLISH STATE LOTTERY.

The whole of the purchase-money returned, if drawn only a small prize of 20l.

To continue during the whole time of the Drawing.

That is to say, from the first-drawn Ticket till the last Ticket is drawn out of the wheel; and the money for the prizes will be paid on demand, without the smallest deduction whatever.

HORNSBY AND CO. at their old established house, No. 26, Cornhill, and no where else on their account, respectfully inform the public, that they have renewed their old and much approved subscription plan, at One Guinea, Half a-Guinea, and Five Shillings and Sixpence, which has been so universally supported for twenty Lotteries past; and they make no doubt but they shall receive, from their worthy patrons, every countenance and support on the present occasion, as HORNSBY AND CO. are determined to pursue every measure to the entire satisfaction of the public.

ONE GUINEA.

If a £20,000	to	£1600	0
10,000	to	800	0
5000	to	400	0
2000	to	160	0
1000	to	80	0
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100	to	10	0
50	to	5	0
20	to	1	1

If the number be the first-drawn on the 1st, 4th, 7th, 10th, 13th, and 16th days, or the last-drawn ticket on the last day, 80 l. will be paid for the same.

HALF-A-GUINEA.

If a £20,000	to	£800	0
10,000	to	400	0
5000	to	200	0
2000	to	80	0
1000	to	40	0
500	to	20	0
100	to	5	0
50	to	2	10
20	to	10s.	6d.

If the number be the first-drawn on the 1st, 4th, 7th, 10th, 13th, and 16th days, or the last-drawn ticket on the last day, 40 l. will be paid for the same.

FIVE SHILLINGS AND SIXPENCE.

If a £20,000	to	£400	0	0
10,000	to	200	0	0
5000	to	100	0	0
2000	to	40	0	0
1000	to	20	0	0
500	to	10	0	0
100	to	2	10	0
50	to	1	5	0
20	to	0	5	6

If the number be the first-drawn on the 1st, 4th, 7th, 10th, 13th, and 16th days, or the last-drawn ticket on the last day, 20 l. will be paid for the same.

The following capital considerations are likewise given gratis, beside the sums above mentioned.

If the subscription be drawn any prize whatever above a 20l. a new subscription will be given, exclusive of the full money for the prize, and if drawn only a small prize of 20l. the first cost will be returned.

Subscribers to this society, previous to the commencement of the drawing, will have the option of renewing their original subscription at the first price, and as often as they please, let the price of tickets go as high as it will: And it is a well known fact, that, for several Lotteries past, the Guinea Subscriptions have been sold for Five Guineas: In this particular, the two last whole days of drawing only are excepted.

Purchasers buying five, at One Guinea, Half-a-Guinea, or Five Shillings and Sixpence, shall receive five times the money laid out, if all five be drawn prizes.

The immense sums of money which have been punctually paid to the public by Hornsby and Co. render it impossible for them to continue publishing a list of prizes which they have sold; but they will observe an invariable rule to publish such prizes as are drawn, for the immediate information of their customers, and the whole at the conclusion of the drawing of every lottery.

Letters (post paid) duly answered. Any person desiring to have a faithful account of their subscription, sent as soon as drawn to any part of the town or country, may receive the same without any additional expence.

☞ Plans at large may be had gratis, at No. 26, Cornhill.

HOUSES FOR SALE.

TO be SOLD by auction, within the Exchange Coffee-house, Edinburgh, on Friday the 26th January current, at five o'clock afternoon,

The SECOND FLAT or STOREY up stairs of that large Tenement lately built by James Walker, lying at Burrowloch, consisting of two Lodgings possessed by Mrs Moultray and Mrs Hart, which, for the accommodation of a large family, may be easily converted into one; each lodging, however, having a garret and cellar peculiar to itself, with the privilege of the well and back-ground.

The progress of writs, and conditions of sale, are to be seen in the hands of David Clark, solicitor at law, Edinburgh.

NOTICE

To the CREDITORS of THOMAS HALL, Tacksman of Brenchallie in Argyle-shire.

UPON the application of John M'Neill of Ardelay, writer in Inverary, a creditor of the said Thomas Hall, the Lord Ordinary officiating on the bills, did, in terms of the statute, passed in the 23d year of his present Majesty's reign, cap. 18 on the 11th January instant, sequestrate the whole estates, both real and personal, belonging to the said Thomas Hall, within the jurisdiction of the Court of Session, and appointed his creditors to meet within the house of John Fraser, vintner in Inverary, on Friday the 26th day of January instant, at twelve o'clock mid-day, for the purpose of chusing an interim factor upon the said sequestrated estate, and granted commission to the sheriff depute of Argyle-shire, or his substitute, and failing of them, to any of the Magistrates of Inverary, or Justices of the Peace of said shire, to attend the meeting of the creditors, and receive production of their grounds of debt, with the oaths of verity thereon, and to subscribe the minutes of the meeting along with the preses to be chosen thereat, in manner directed by the before mentioned statute; agreeable to which, and the Lord Ordinary's appointment, intimation of said meeting is hereby given.

GENERAL MEETING

Of the CREDITORS of JAMES HUTCHISON, Maltman at Bridgend of Dunblane.

THAT in consequence of an act or order of the Lord Eskgrove, Ordinary officiating on the bills, a meeting of the said Creditors was held within the house of the said James Hutchison upon the 8th of January current, when James Pearson, merchant in Dunblane, was chosen interim factor upon the sequestrate estate—And the said James Pearson, in terms of the statute, hereby intimates to all and sundry the Creditors of the said James Hutchison, and all concerned, that the foresaid sequestration took place on the 4th January 1787; and that a general meeting of the Creditors is to be held upon Saturday the 10th February next, within the house of William Monteath, smith in Dunblane, at twelve o'clock mid-day, for the purpose of chusing a trustee or trustees, for the management of said estate; as also, that the Sheriff-substitute for the western district of Perthshire has appointed Saturday the 20th January current, and the three succeeding Saturdays, at eleven o'clock forenoon, in the Court-house of Dunblane, for the public examination of the bankrupt and his family, and others acquainted with his business, in terms of the said act of Parliament, at which diets of examination, the whole Creditors of the said James Hutchison are hereby warned and invited to attend.

NOTICE

To the CREDITORS of ELISABETH MURRAY Vintner in Glasgow, relict of JOHN BUCHANAN late vintner in Inveraray, thereafter in Stewarton.

THE Trustees on Mrs Buchanan's subjects having realized a considerable part of the trust funds, and will divide the same on Monday 26th February next, when the creditors will please call on William Lindsay writer in Glasgow for payment. Such of the creditors as have not lodged their claims, with affidavits to the justness of their debts, will please send them to W. Lindsay immediately; otherwise they will be cut off from any share of this dividend.

HOUSES FOR SALE.

TO be SOLD by public roup, within the Exchange Coffeehouse, Edinburgh, upon Monday the 29th day of January 1787, between the hours of five and six afternoon,

That TENEMENT of LAND lying at the foot of the Candlemakerrow, Edinburgh, with stables behind the same, as presently possessed by Andrew Scott stabler, and others.

As also, that TENEMENT of LAND lying in the Candlemakerrow, immediately to the south of the plot of ground in Merchant street. This Tenement consists of four stories, garrets, &c. and is presently possessed by George Callender, wright, and his tenants, and will be sold in flats, or such lots as purchasers shall incline.

The entry to the whole subjects will be at Whitsunday next, and any persons inclining to purchase may apply to William Braidwood, merchant, Grass-market, James Small, shoemaker, Potterrow, and John Sommerville, writer in Edinburgh, Trustees for the creditors of the said George Callender, who have power to conclude a private bargain, and will show the title-deeds.

Subjects in Edinburgh for Sale.

TO be SOLD by public roup, within John's Coffeehouse, Parliament Close, Edinburgh, on Thursday the 25th day of January 1787 years, at five o'clock afternoon; and for the encouragement of purchasers, will be set up at the prices following:

I. THE TENEMENT OF LAND lying immediately at the foot of the old assembly close, nearly opposite to the horse wynd. The Shop as presently possessed by William Marnoch carver, and the houses above, possessed by George Moodie and others, at the yearly rent of L. 25 : 15. Sterling.—Upset price, L. 150 Sterling.

II. THE DWELLING HOUSE in Allan's close, Exchange, Edinburgh, consisting of three rooms, kitchen, and other conveniencies; presently possessed by Mrs Logan.—Yearly rent, L. 7 : 10 Sterling.—Upset price, L. 50 Sterling.

III. A SMALL TENEMENT OF LAND, lying on the west side of the flesh market close of Canongate, about the middle thereof, as presently possessed by George Kinmaur, flesher, and others, at the yearly rent of L. 4 Sterling.—Upset price, L. 30 Sterling.

IV. A DWELLING HOUSE and COBLER's STALL, on the east side of Forrester's wynd, Edinburgh, as presently possessed by William Taylor and others, at the yearly rent of L. 5 Sterling.—Upset price, L. 30 Sterling. This last subject is insured in the Edinburgh Friendly Insurance Office, and the premium paid up.

The conditions of roup, and title-deeds to be seen in the hands of Archibald Brown, writer, Town Clerks Office, Edinburgh, who will inform as to any particulars wanted.

Sale of Growing Wood.

TO be SOLD by public roup, in the house of Henry Laing vintner at Torwood, on Tuesday the 6th of February 1787, at eleven o'clock forenoon,

The WOOD OF THE TORWOOD, on the north side of the great road leading from Falkirk to Stirling, two miles from Carron Works, four from Falkirk, seven from Stirling, two from the Great Canal, and three from Carron Shore; to all which places there are good turnpike roads.

This wood covers 120 acres of ground. It consists of oak, birch, and aller, but mostly oak. There are 2175 old oak maidens reserved from the last cutting, of which only 30 are now to be reserved. The eldest hagg is twenty-two years grown. Last cutting, the wood was divided into eight, but it is now meant to make ten haggs; one to be cut in the present, and in each of the nine succeeding years.

The articles and conditions of roup are to be seen in the hands of James Henderson, the proprietor, at Blairs, contiguous to the wood; who will inform as to particulars; and to whom any wishing to treat by private bargain may apply betwixt and the day of roup.

TO be LET in LEASE for such a number of years as can be agreed on, and entered to at Whitsunday next,

The Lodging or Dwelling-house, with

the small Garden, Coach-house, and Stables thereto belonging, lying at the head of the High School Wynd of Edinburgh, possessed by the late Dr Hope.

To be seen on Monday, Friday, and Saturday, betwixt the hours of twelve o'clock noon, and two o'clock afternoon.

For further particulars enquire at Mr Archibald Hope, Royal Bank, or Robert Boswell, writer to the signet.

Sale of Houses in Edinburgh.

TO be SOLD by public roup, within the Old Exchange Coffeehouse, on Wednesday the 24th day of January 1787, between the hours of four and five in the afternoon,

That LODGING or DWELLING HOUSE, lately possessed by John Johnston of Grange, writer in Edinburgh, now deceased, lying in James's Court, on the north side thereof, being the second storey under the level of the said Court by the west entry, and consisting of four fire-rooms, kitchen, cellar, and other conveniencies.

A L S O,

That LODGING or DWELLING HOUSE, being the fourth storey above the shops of the fore-tenement of Milne's Court, opposite to the weigh-house, presently possessed by Mrs Orr, and consisting of a dining room, drawing room, four bed-chambers, kitchen, garret, and cellars belonging thereto.

The entry to both lodgings is to be at Whitsunday next; and intending purchasers may see the articles of roup, and be informed of other particulars, by applying to Alexander Abercromby clerk to the signet.

TO be SOLD by public roup or auction, within the Exchange Coffeehouse, Edinburgh, upon Wednesday the 24th January 1787, betwixt the hours of six and seven afternoon,

I. The Barony of CLOWDEN, *alias*

NEWARK, lying in the parish of Kirkpatrick Irongray, and stewartry of Kirkcudbright, comprehending the lands and farms of Rowton Bridge, Upper, Nether, and Mid Dalwhairn, Lagg, Rouchtree, Hallhill, Cobbexholm, Newark Braes, Whinnyhill, Inglestun, Gateside, or Kirkpatrick and Clowden, with the corn, barley, and wheat mills, a salmon fishing in the river Clowden, and the vice patronage of the parish of Kirkpatrick Irongray.

This estate is of a remarkable good soil, well inclosed and subdivided with thriving full grown hedges; it is at present in good condition, and there is sufficiency of shell marl upon it to keep it so. It contains about 1870 English acres, whereof 1500 are arable and meadow, about 90 woodland, and the remainder very good pasture. The present rent is 88½ l. 1 s. 1 d. Sterling, and the tenants beside pay the victual stipend and school salary; but a considerable rise of rent may be depended on at the expiry of the current leases. It holds of the Crown, and stands rated in the cess-books at 1260 l. 10 s. Scots. The teinds are valued, and the purchaser will have right to them.

The woods are well inclosed, and very thriving; at last cutting they sold for upwards of 700 l. Sterling, exclusive of the woods on Hallhill, which are presently fit for sale.

This estate is pleasantly situated on the banks of the river Clowden, within three miles of the town of Dumfries; and it has many delightful situations upon it for building a mansion-house, which would command the view of the rivers Nith and Clowden, the town and port of Dumfries, the whole gentlemens seats in that rich and populous neighbourhood, the Solway Frith, and the Cumberland hills; and there is a good free-stone quarry on the estate, near a good stance for a mansion-house.

Mr W. Black, at Nando's Coffeehouse, London, can give a full description of this estate.

II. The Lands of Over and Nether BARNCLEUGHS, lying in the said parish and county, within a mile and an half of Clowden, consisting of about 200 English acres, whereof 160 are arable, and 19 moss, where there is an inexhaustible quantity of shell marl.

These lands are all sufficiently inclosed and subdivided with good stone walls. The present rent is only 50 l. but when the current lease expires at Martinmas 1787, a considerable rise will be got.

The teinds are valued, and the purchaser will have righ to them.

III. These parts of the Barony of GLASSNOCK, lying in the parish of Peningham and county of Wigton, comprehending the farms of Over and Nether Glassnocks, and Killeal, with a salmon-fishing in the river Bladnoch, and the superiority of the lands of Drummory and Carsbuie, lying in the parish of Kirkcowan, and county of Wigton.

These are good grazing lands both for black cattle and sheep. The present rent, including the feu-duties in Kirkcowan parish, is only 81 l. 11 s. 2½ d. and services and casualties to the value of about 5 l. more; but the tenants paid large grassums in 1766, when their leases commenced; so, in 1787, when they expire, a great rise may be depended on, [illegible] the tenants pay all the public burdens, stipend excepted.

The title-deeds, conditions of sale, tacks, rentals, plans, and measurements of the several estates before mentioned, will be seen in the hands of William Campbell writer to the signet, Edinburgh; and, for further information, apply to Alexander Farquharson accomptant in Edinburgh, who has power to sell by private bargain.

John Linton, in Gateside, near Dumfries, will show the estate of Clowden; and Mr Cockburn, at Cree-bridge, the ands in Wigtonshire.

BY ADJOURNMENT.

TO be SOLD within the Old Exchange Coffeehouse, Edinburgh, upon Friday the 26th January 1787, between the hours of six and seven in the afternoon,

The following LANDS and others,

lying in the parish of Troqueer, and stawartry of Kirkcudbright, in the lots after specified, viz.

L O T I.

These parts of the Lands of DRUNGANS, presently possessed by Mrs Carlyle and William Wright, with the superiority of the whole six-merk-land of Drungans, which afford an undoubted freehold qualification to vote for a member of Parliament. The purchaser will have a very near prospect of the casualty for an entry from the proprietor of these four-fifths of the lands of Drungans, which hold of Mr Carlyle.

There is a good house on the lands of Drungans, consisting of six rooms, besides light closets, kitchen, apartments for servants, and other conveniencies on the ground-floor, with offices adjoining, and a good garden.

That part of the lands, with the house possessed by Mrs Carlyle, is not under lease, but is reckoned worth 21 l. Sterling yearly.

The remainder of the lands is possessed by William Wright, by a minute of agreement for nine years after Candlemas 1783, under proper restrictions as to tillage, at the rent of 55 l. Sterling. But the purchaser may have it in his power to remove this tenant at Candlemas 1788, on six months previous notice.

For the encouragement of offerers, this lot will be exposed at 2000 l. Sterling.

L O T II.

The INCLOSURE on the Bank of Troqueer, adjoining to the mills, presently possessed by Robert Carlyle, at the yearly rent of 2 l. 15 s. It is not under lease, and will be exposed at the upset price of 60 l.

L O T III.

The FEU-DUTIES of sundry houses and yards lying in the Bridge-end of Dumfries, above the mill-loaning, extending to 37 l. 18 s. 1½ d. Sterling yearly, with the bygone arrears of feu-duties at and preceding Candlemas 1787, amounting, agreeable to list thereof, to 196 l. 10 s. 1 d. 6-12ths. These feu-duties and arrears will be exposed at 1000 l. Sterling.

The rental and measurement of the lands of Drungans, the rental of the feu-duties, and list of arrears thereof, as mentioned in Lot III. with the articles of roup, and inventory of the progress of the whole three lots, to be seen in the hands of William Campbell writer to the signet, and copies thereof in the hands of Robert Ramsay writer in Dumfries.

For further particulars, application may be made to Mr William Keith accomptant in Edinburgh, who has power to sell by private bargain.

Building Areas to be Feued

BY PUBLIC ROUP.

THERE are to be FEUED by public roup, within the Old Exchange Coffeehouse, Edinburgh, on Friday the 26th January 1787, at six o'clock afternoon,

Several AREAS for building on, lying on the west side of the road to Leith, and adjoining to the buildings called Antigua-street.

The ground is laid out according to a plan; the situation of it is remarkably pleasant; the extensive views it affords, without the possibility of interruption, and the uncommonly beautiful variety of these views, mark it as admirably adapted for building.

The center of this ground is at the same distance from the Bridge as No. 30. in Prince's Street, which is several doors east of Hanover-street—as the church in George-street, and as the corner house of Queen-street, fronting St David's-street; and when the buildings on the ground feued some time ago by the trustees for the public records are finished, these will almost connect it with the town.—The opening, too, from Queen's-street to the road to Leith, which is soon to take place, will be of considerable importance to it. The advantages to be derived in building here, from the vicinity of the situation to the Register Office, with which so many persons of business have necessarily a connection, are obvious.

According to the plan, the buildings will have plots of back ground for the purposes of gardens and offices. The possessors of these will have the privilege of an open area, and will also have the liberty of intended washing houses, and a large bleaching green, to be appropriated for the accommodation of the whole feuers. There is plenty of excellent water on the ground.

Independent of all these advantages, the feuers will be freed of the land cess and every other public tax, and will be exempted too from all the town's burdens. No premium or purchase-money will be demanded; and the payment of the feu-duty will not commence until the buildings are finished.

Further particulars may be had, and the plan of the ground may be seen, upon application to Mr James Jollie, writer to the signet, Royal Bank Close.

A House and Area to Sell.

AS the HOUSE presently possessed by the Antiquarian Society, lying on the north side of the Cowgate of Edinburgh, is found improper for the purpose of their Museum, it is proposed to dispose of the same, with the Area thereto belonging, by public roup, on Friday the 19th January curt. in the Exchange Coffeehouse, between the hours of twelve and one noon. The House consists of three stories, containing the following apartments, and conveniencies, viz. In the ground storey a large kitchen, a servants hall adjoining, an ale cellar, a coal cellar, and a cellar fitted up with catacombs;—on the parlour floor, a lobby, a large parlour, three fire-rooms, and a room without a fire place;—on the second floor, five rooms with fire places;—on the third floor, the same number of fire rooms, with two large closets;—and in the upper or garret floor, which is neatly lathed and plaistered, the same number of apartments.

On the west side of the house, a hen-house, midding-stead, and two little houses;—on the front of the Area, and on the line with the Cowgate, two handsome pavilions, for stable, coach-house, and hay-lofts. The area is in length from north to south 228 feet, and in breadth fronting the Cowgate, 66 feet. There is a water-pipe in the house from the town's pipes, which runs into a large cistern of lead at the kitchen door. There is a carriage entry to the house by the Cowgate, and also a foot entry from the High Street, by the New Bank Close.

The premisses are in good order, and may be seen every day, Sundays excepted, between eleven and two o'clock.

For particulars enquire at John Dundas writer to the signet, who has power to conclude a private bargain; or to Mr Cummyng the Secretary for the Society, at the house, by whom it will be shown.

Sale of Houses

At Toll Cross, and in Edinburgh.

TO be SOLD, by private bargain, and entered to at Whitsunday next, the Following SUBJECTS, viz.

I. The LARGE NEW DWELLING-HOUSE at Toll-Cross, belonging to Mr Wilson, containing, in the ground-flat, kitchen, parlour, two rooms, two closets, and coal-house,—in the second flat, dining-room, drawing-room, [illegible] and closet, dining-room, three bed-chambers, and two closets, nursery, and two garrets;—in the garden, a washing-house, stable, and office-house, with the garden surrounding the same, of about half an acre. This house may be occupied either jointly or in two separate houses. It is situated very near Lothian Road, near the late extended royalty of Edinburgh, and will be a very pleasant summer residence for one or two families. The premisses are held blench of a subject superior, and if not sold will be LET.

II. The FORE TENEMENT of LAND, SHOP, and CELLAR, with the fore and back entries thereto, and whole pertinents, lying at the foot of the Canongate, within the precincts of the Abbey of Holyroodhouse, as presently possessed by Mr Peter Rattray grocer and subtenants by tack, for eleven years from Whitsunday 1781, with a breach in favour of the tacksman at the end of the first seven years, at the yearly rent of 19 l. Sterling.

III. That DWELLING-HOUSE, under and above, south side Canongate, Old Play-house Close, consisting of two storeys and garrets, and an area in front of 26½ feet in length, presently possessed by Charles Maclean and George Kinnear, at the yearly rent of 12 l. Sterling as principal, and in warrandice three several houses in the Pleasance, belonging to Andrew Hogg brewer in Canongate.

The title-deeds to be seen in the hands of Robert Donaldson writer to the signet; to whom purchasers may apply for further particulars.

LANDS IN ROSS-SHIRE.

TO be SOLD by public voluntary roup, within the Exchange Coffeehouse in Edinburgh, on Friday the 22d day of June next, betwixt the hours of six and seven in the afternoon,

The Lands of MEIKLE KINDEACE, with the mills thereof, lying in the parish of Nigg, and county of Ross. The rent of this estate, after deducting minister's stipend, and a feu-duty payable from the mills, amounts by a judicial rental, taken some years ago, to 258 bolls 2 firlots 3 pecks of victual, besides kains and other customs.

The estate is most delightfully situated on the east side of the bay of Cromarty.—The soil is universally of a rich quality.—There is a mansion-house and offices on the premisses, which may be put into repair at a moderate expence.—There are two plantations of fir trees of considerable extent, and in a very thriving condition, both fit for thinning, and immediately useful for various country purposes.—In the heart of one of the plantations, a space of upwards of 60 acres of a level, very improveable muir, has been left unplanted with a view to its being cultivated, which, with a little outlay of money, will make a beautiful well sheltered field.—In that part of the frith of Cromarty, which bounds the estate, there is found at low water, an inexhaustible quantity of shells, fit either for manure, (and which has been very successfully applied in that way) or for burning into lime. The whole lands are out of lease at Whitsunday

The lands hold of the Crown, and entitle the proprietor to vote for a member of Parliament for the county; and the title-deeds are clear and complete.

Any person inclining to purchase by private bargain betwixt and the day of sale, may apply to Charles M'Intosh, writer to the signet, in whose hands the progress of writs, articles of roup, and rental may be seen; and who will give any further information that may be wanted.

Mr George M'Kenzie, residing in the house of Kindeace, will show the estate and plantations.

TO be SOLD by public roup, within John's Coffeehouse, Edinburgh, on Wednesday the 31st day of January current, between the hours of five and six afternoon,

Two Tenements adjoining, in the

Calton of Edinburgh, known by the name of *Howie's Land*, consisting of a ground flat in shops, three upper stories, with garrets, possessed by Alexander Leslie, Anne Fergusson, and other tenants, rent 44 l. Sterling, measuring in front, alongst the street of the High Calton, sixty feet, by thirty feet in breadth, and hold feu of the Magistrates and Council of Edinburgh, as superiors, for payment of 9 l. 6 s. Scots of feu-duty.

For farther particulars enquire at Thomas Miller, silk-dyer, foot of Leith Wynd; or Anthony Barclay, writer to the signet, who will shew the title-deeds and conditions of sale; and to either of whom such as incline to purchase by private bargain before the day of roup may apply.

Sale of the House and Parks of Dalry.

TO be SOLD by private bargain, the House and Parks of DALRY, situated about half a mile west of the city of Edinburgh. The parks consist of about 24 acres of very rich ground, exclusive of one acre which has been feued out at 9 l. yearly, the feu-duty of which is to be sold along with the lands. The house consists of three storeys; in the first or ground storey there is a very good dining-room, a small room off it, and a range of very good cellars. In the second storey there is a large drawing-room, and three bed-rooms with closets; and in the third storey there is a large room for a library, and three bed-rooms with closets. Without the house is a kitchen, with two very good servants rooms over it, and two cellars, one for coals, the other for ashes. The offices consist of a coach-house, stables for 10 or 12 horses, and a byre, with hay lofts, and servants apartments over them. These subjects hold of the Crown, for payment of a feu-duty of about 4 s. yearly. They are liable to no public burdens excepting the land-tax, and about 4 s. yearly of stipend; and they have right to a family seat in the body of the West Church, and to a seat for servants in the gallery.

John Tait writer to the signet, Park Place, is empowered to conclude a bargain, and will inform as to further particulars. The premisses will be shown upon applying at the house of Dalry from 12 to 3 o'clock every day.

J U D I C I A L   S A L E.

To be SOLD within the Parliament or New Session House of Edinburgh, upon Friday the 26th day of January 1787, between the hours of five and seven afternoon,

THE Subjects after-mentioned, which

belonged to ANDREW CRANSTON, in the Abbey of Holyrood house, viz.

I. The Tenement of HOUSES and Pertinents, lying in the Abbey and parish of Canongate, set in tack to Mrs Binning; the free yearly rent of which is proved to be 47 l. 1 s. 10 d. Sterling; and the upset price, which is fixed at twelve years purchase of that rent, amounts to - - L.565 2 2

II. The BREWERIES and other HOUSES, also lying in the Abbey, now or lately possessed by Joseph Symington, Andrew Archer, and John Hardie; the free yearly rent of which extends to 38 l. 19 s. 8 d. 9-12ths Sterling; and the upset price is fixed at seven years purchase, being L.272 18 1 7-12ths.

III. The DWELLING-HOUSES in the Abbey, now or lately possessed by Cumberland Liston and Thomas Swinton; the free yearly rent of which extends to 8 l. 19 s. 11 d. 1-12th Sterling; and the upset price is fixed at seven years purchase, being L.62 19 7 4-12ths.

IV The Tenement of HOUSES lying in the Abbey, now or lately possessed by Andrew Cranston, William Lamb, and Mrs Crawford; the free yearly rent of which amounts to 26 l. 17 s. 9 d. 9-12ths Sterling; and the upset price of this parcel is fixed at ten years purchase, being L.268 18 1 6-12ths.

V. The yearly FEU DUTY of 8 l. sterling, and other casualties of superiority, exigible by Mr Cranston, in virtue of a feu charter, granted by him to the late George Miller, brewer in the Abbey. This Superiority is proven to be worth 21 years purchase of the feu-duty, and, at that rate, the upset price extends to L.168 0 0

VI. The Tenement of HOUSES lying in the Abbeyhill, and parish of South Leith, possessed by James Keith and others, at the free yearly rent of 15 l. 3 s. Sterling, and to be exposed at five years purchase of that rent, which makes [illegible] 15 0

The subjects will be exposed to sale either in the parcels above mentioned, or in such other lots as may suit intending offerers.

The conditions of sale, and title-deeds, are in the hands of Mr John Callender, depute-clerk of Session, and copies of the proven rental may be got from Kenneth Mackenzie jun. writer to the signet, who will communicate any other particulars to persons wishing for further information.

JUDICIAL SALE OF

Lands in the County of Linlithgow.

By Adjournment, and Upset Price still farther reduced.

TO be SOLD by public roup, within the Parliament or New Session House of Edinburgh, upon Wednesday the 31st of January 1787, before the Lord Ordinary on the bills,

The Following SUBJECTS, which belonged to the deceased William Belchier of Grange, viz.

All and Whole the Lands and Barony of GRANGE, with the coal and salt works, iron stone, iron ore, and others, with the teinds and pertinents, as specified in the act of roup.

ITEM—The Houses, Kiln, Malt-barn, and others, lying at Old Mill of Grange, of old called St John's Bank, and others, which were purchased by the deceased William Belchier, from David Stevenson, son and apparent heir of the deceased David Stevenson, shipmaster in Borrowstounness, being part of the said barony, and holden feu of the heirs of the said William Belchier for payment of 10 merks Scots, 6½ bolls wheat, and 8 hens yearly.

ITEM—The Houses, Biggings, &c. in Bridgeneise, and Piece of Ground lying at the west side of the Cunningar of Grange, three Kail Yards, a Piece of Grass Ground, &c. which were purchased by the said William Belchier from Harry Allan, writer in Edinburgh, being also part of the said barony, and holden feu of the heirs of the said William Belchier, for payment of 20 s. Scots yearly.

The lands and houses, &c. are proven to be worth twenty-five and a half years purchase of the neat proven rent, being 400 l. free of all deductions, amounting to l. 10,200

The coal and salt-works are proven to be worth eleven years purchase of the proven rental, being 300 l. amounting to - 3,300

The iron stone or iron ore is also proven to be worth eleven years purchase of the proven rental, being 100 l. amounting to - 1,100

Total value, L. 14,600

Which was first reduced by the Lords to 13,800 l. afterwards to 13,000 l. and now to 12,200 l.

The lands lie within a mile of the town of Borrowstounness, and are holden blench of the Crown for payment of a penny Scots money, if asked only. The proprietor is entitled to vote for a member of parliament.

The articles, conditions, and acts of roup, will be seen in the hands of Alexander Stevenson, depute clerk of Session, or John John Russel, clerk to the signet.

N. B. The whole subjects under sale are set to one tenant at the nett rent of 800 l. upon a thirty-one years lease which commenced at Martinmas 1771; and the tenant is thereby taken bound to pay every public burden and deduction whatever affecting the estate, during the currency of the lease. The proprietor has right to the pier and harbour of Grangepans, where there is good accommodation for shipping.

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